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Case - Timothy N. Pfeiffer,
Subject - Homicide, New Brunswick, N.J.,
Investigation - Mr. DeM.

DEM / Mills

February 18, 1923. Proceeded to New Brunswick, N.J. and upon arrival there went to Jim Mills' house but did not find him at home. Spoke to Danny Mills, and he advised me to go over to the school.

Mr. DeM. had Danny accompany him as far as the school. In the meantime I asked Danny where he was on the night he disappeared - He informed me he was at Mahrs' house and from there went to Vernie Mills' house, met Charlotte and came home with her, getting into the house at about ten o'clock. Danny said he left Mahrs' house at about nine o'clock, he didn't stop at his house on his way over to Vernie Mills' house.

Upon arrival at the school, Jim Mills said that he did not want to see me. (DeM.) Mr. DeM. waited there a few minutes and finally Jim came out and admitted me to the Boiler Room, and there Mr. Barnhardt was standing.

Jim Mills immediately accused me of being the last person that he spoke to and that I tricked him by sending him a letter causing him to go to the Spiritualist in New York to have his fortune told - The Spiritualist accusing him of committing the crime. Jim Mills said he was advised by a wealthy friend in Washington, not to talk to anybody. Also that I represented the Hall interest.

Jim Mills also said that on my (DeM.) last visit to his house I said, "Maybe whoever killed your wife was justified;" and that in my talk I accused him of doing it. I (DeM.) then repeated the conversation I had with him (Jim Mills) on the night in question. I said, "Isn't it a matter of fact, Jim Mills, that this is what I said, 'Your wife is dead, Mr. Hall is dead, somebody has done it, if they only would come forward and surrender themselves and give an explanation - Perhaps it is justified, and maybe it was not justified; no matter whoever done it, whether it be you, Mrs. Hall or anybody else, I think the proper thing they should do is to surrender themselves.' "